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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the following:

- (1) Transmittal Letter;
- (2) Response and Amendment; and
- (3) Appendix A.

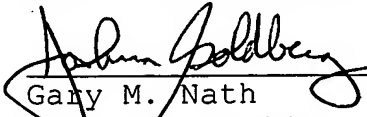
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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action dated July 5, 2006. The three-month shortened statutory period for response expires October 5, 2006. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow all claims pending in this application.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend claims 1-13, 15 and 18-20 as outlined in Appendix A, attached herewith.